

REMARKS

Applicants note the receipt of a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated February 27, 2008. On page 2 of the attachment thereto, it is asserted that the response previously filed on November 23, 2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Official Action, because: "Applicants have not indicated upon which species the newly added claim 20 lies."

In response, Applicants assert that claim 20 presented in the response filed November 23, 2007 is generic to either Species A or Species B. Thus, claim 20 is properly examinable along with the other claims associated with elected Species A. Applicants' previous traversal of the election species requirement is incorporated herein by reference.

From the foregoing, Applicants submit that pending claims 1-20 are allowable and this application is in condition for allowance. If any issues remain, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative identified below.

Respectfully submitted,

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